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SCDJJ HAPPENINGS

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"INSPIRING CHANGE, TRANSFORMING LIVES"

SOCIAL WORK MONTH

March 2023 is Social Workers Month with this year's theme of "Social Work Breaks Barriers." This describes exactly the work our social workers do at D.11.

We truly have outstanding social workers who carry out their duties with clinical competence, integrity and professionalism that provide the highest level of treatment and case management services to our youth both inside facilities and in communities across the State.

Social workers deserve respect and admiration more than one month a year. However, this March I encourage everyone to thank a colleague who may be a social worker at DJJ, social worker at another agency or any social worker that is working to make someone else's life better.

To our social workers at all of our DJJ locations around the state, I want to thank you for your tireless efforts and know that we appreciate all you do each day to support our youth, families, the communities we serve and the agency. -- Executive Director Eden Hendrick

State of South Caroling Covernor's Proclamation WHEREAS, social workers have a strong design to have a

communities, and our nation overcome issues that prevent them from reaching their full potential and have worked for over a century to improve

WHEREAS, social workers are the largest group of mental health care providers in the United States and work daily to help people, whether in person or remotely, overcome substance use disorders and mental illnesses such as

WHEREAS, social workers have always helped people overcome issues such as death and grief and have helped people and communities recover from increasing

WHEREAS, social workers have helped this nation live up to its values by successfully advocating for equal rights for all and have continued to push for changes that have made our society a better place to live, including a liveble wage,

WHEREAS, social workers positively touch the lives of millions of Americans each day and in a variety of settings including schools, hospitals, the military, child welfare agencies. community centers, and local, state, and federa

government agencies; and

WHEREAS, this year's Social Work Month theme, Social Work Breaks Barriers,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Henry McMaster, Governor of the great State of South

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throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to honor professional social workers for their commitment to working in all facets of our society to meet people where they are and help empower than to each their coals.



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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE COMMMUNITY



On March 3, the Greenville County DJJ staff held an Informal Seminar for youth in intake status. Regional Special Needs Coordinator, Jane Olson, spoke to the youth about the dangers of human trafficking.

Community Specialist, Antrell Baker, guided the youth in the creation of vision boards. Eighteen youth and several parents were in attendance.

This event allowed these youth an opportunity to complete their informal contract requirements.



WHAT'S GOING ON AT UEC?

On March 11, the Upstate Evaluation Center held a youth symposium, sponsored by Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. called "A Healthy Mind, A Treasure to Find."

During this time, speakers discussed promoting healthy relationships, financial literacy, and a new understanding of the youth of the next generation.









MAINTENANCE MATTERS!

SCDJJ wouldn't be who we are without an outstanding maintenance team! Thanks to this group for what they do to keep things running smoothly each day. Congratulations to Ted

Winnie, Project Coordinator, who retired on March 16.















